thoroughly before transfusion in order to save lives and to check the spreading of the disease?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) The Government seen the news items captioned "Two kids contact AIDS through blood transfusion" appeared in the Indian Express dated 28-7-1991.

(b) and (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(d) Govt., with a view to promoting blood safety, has established blood testing facilities on a zonal basis in 35 cities. The blood banks are required to send the samples of blood collected to the zonal blood testing for HIV Testing. Blood testing facilities are being expanded to cover 52 additional cities. With this expansion it will be possible to link all the blood banks with zonal blood testing centres for purposes of HIV testing.

[*Translation*]

Counter Magnet Cities under N.C.R.

4354. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR:

SHRI DAU DAYAL JOSHI:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the cities declared as counter magnet city under National Capital Region alongwith dates of announcement;

(b) the extent of amount sanctioned as per the announcement alongwith the date of sanction; and

(c) the amount spent and the details of the works on which this amount was spent so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) The Regional Plan 2001-NCR notified in the Gazette of India on 23-1-1989 envisages the following counter magnet areas:

(i) Hissar in Haryana

(ii) Gwalior in Madhya Pradesh

(iii) Patiala in Punjab

(iv) Kota in Rajasthan

(v) Bareilly in Uttar Pradesh

(b) No amount has so far been sanctioned for any such areas.

(c) Does not arise.

[*English*]

Supply of Chloroquine Tablets by IDPL

4355. DR. ASIM BALA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to the reply given on April 11, 1990 to Starred Question No. 424 and state:

(a) whether IDPL supplied chloroquine phosphate tablets to NMEP under two contracts, one entered in early 1989 for the supply of 33 million tablets and the other in February 1990 for 20 million tablets;

(b) whether any payment was made to M/s Neel Madhvan Consultants Private Limited for the supply of 33 million tablets of Chloroquine phosphate to NMEP by IDPL;

(c) if so, whether the commissions paid have been reimbursed by IDPL;

(d) if so, whether any enquiry has been ordered against these commissions; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) to (e) Requisite information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.